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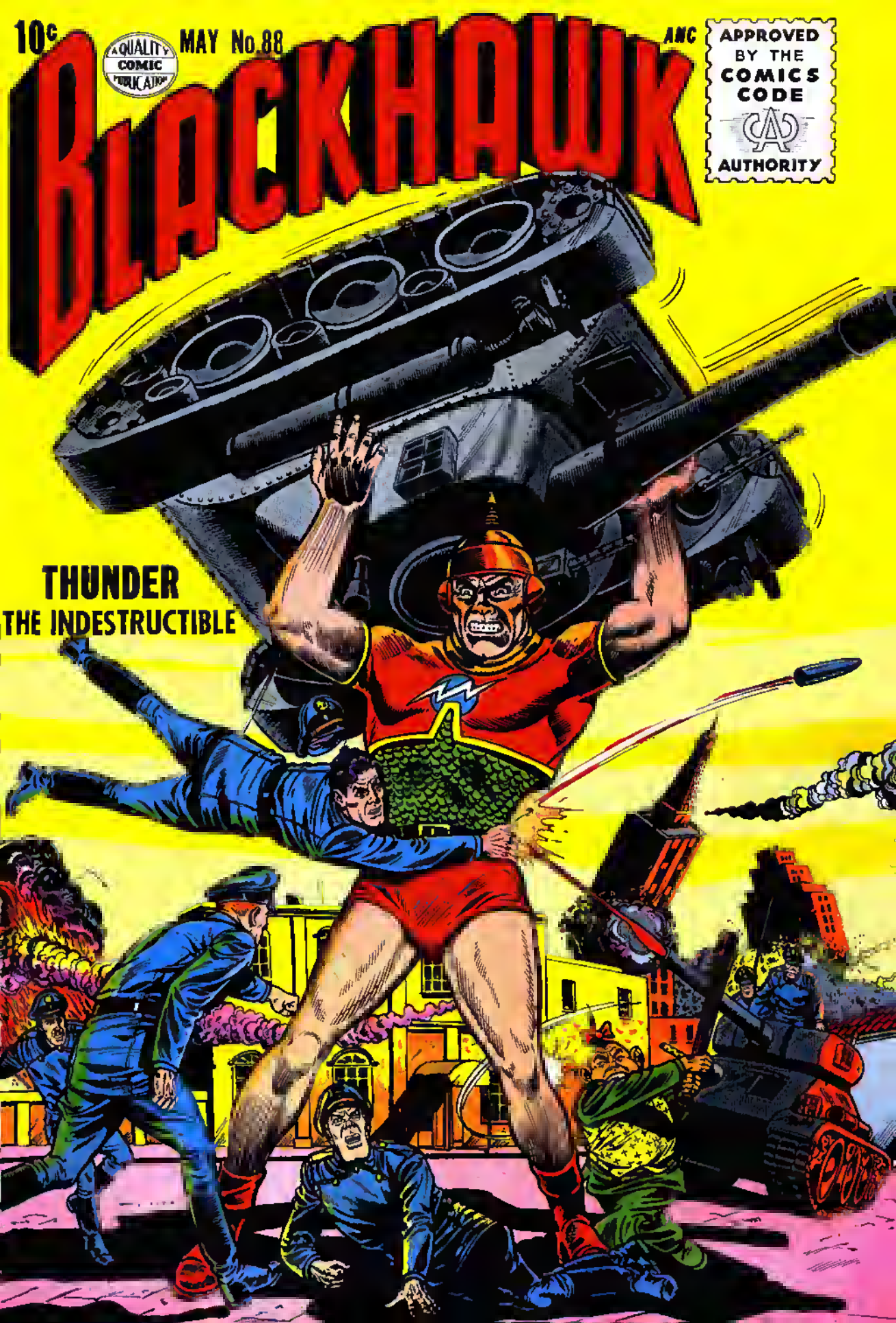
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We'll start you in a proven money-earning
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- You have an amazing range of sizes (2½ to 14) and widths (AAAA to EEEE). Even hard-to-fit people can buy from you!
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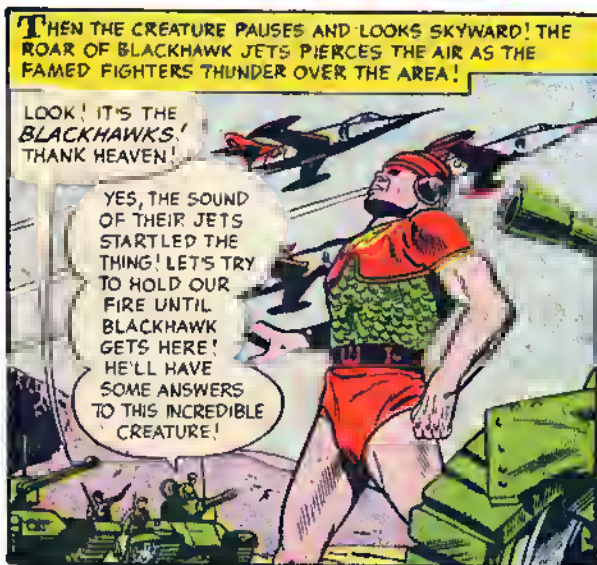
BLACKHAWK

WHO WAS IT? WHERE DID IT COME FROM? THE FANTASTIC Foe WITH SUPER-HUMAN POWER PLODGED ACROSS THE CONTINENT OF EUROPE LEAVING DEATH AND DESTRUCTION IN HIS WAKE! THE WORLD FACED ITS GREATEST CRISIS AS THE FAMED FIGHTERS FOR FREEDOM ATTEMPTED TO STOP THE INHUMAN JUGGERNAUT! EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD AWAITED THE OUTCOME OF THE MOST MOMENTOUS CONFLICT IN HISTORY BETWEEN THE BLACKHAWKS AND THE INVINCIBLE BRUTE NAMED...

**THUNDER,
THE INDESTRUCTIBLE**

I-IT'S NO USE, GANG... I'M FINISHED... DON'T LET THIS CREATURE GET HIS... HANDS ON YOU... THAT'S AN... ORDER!



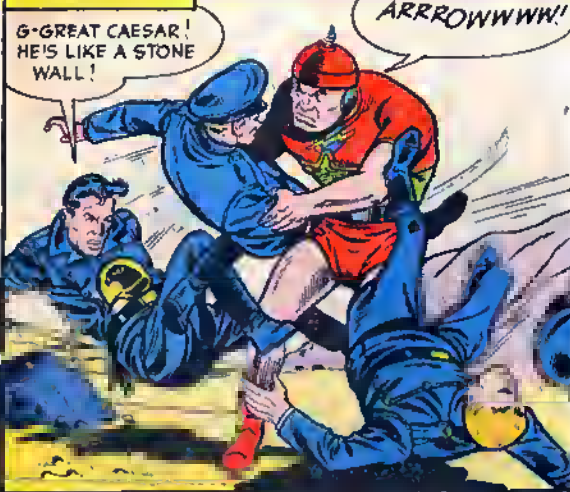


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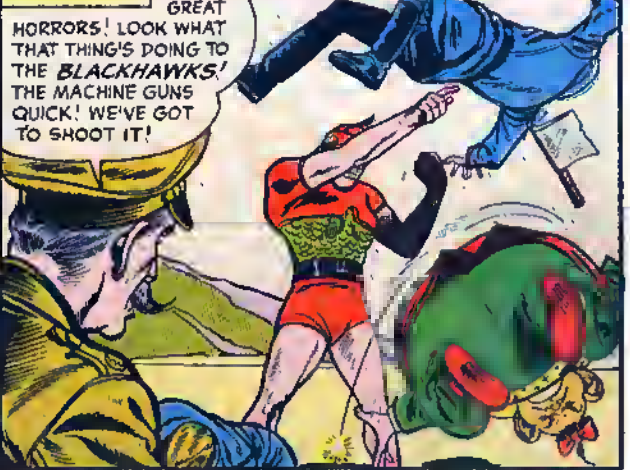


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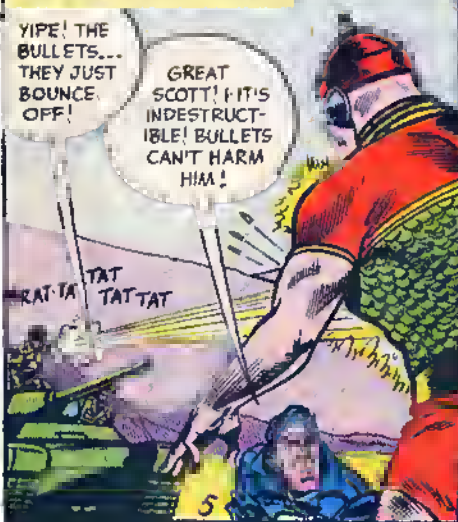
THE MUSCLED NIGHTMARE FROM ANOTHER WORLD ROARS IN ANGER AND...



LIKE DUMMY FIGURES, THE MIGHTY BLACKHAWKS ARE WHIRLED AROUND...HELPLESS AGAINST THE AWESOME STRENGTH OF THUNDER!



BULLETS STREAK THROUGH THE AIR AND SMASH AGAINST THUNDER!



THEN...



AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE MUST BE CALLED AT ONCE! A DECISION MUST BE MADE! WE MUST LEARN WHO THIS THING IS... WHERE IT CAME FROM! REMAIN HERE, ANDRE! WATCH THAT BRUTE EVERY SECOND... NOTIFY ME BY RADIO OF ITS



AT THE EMERGENCY MEETING BLACKHAWK'S WORDS SHOCK WORLD LEADERS AND SCIENTISTS!

WHAT? A BEING FROM ANOTHER PLANET! BLACKHAWK, YOU MUST CAPTURE HIM! SUCH RESEARCH WILL BE INVALUABLE TO PROGRESS! THIS UNIQUE SPECIMEN WILL HENCEFORTH BE KNOWN AS THUNDER!

I WAS OF THAT BELIEF TOO, PROFESSOR MARTIN! BUT THIS CREATURE IS SUPER HUMAN! HIS FANTASTIC STRENGTH IS A GREAT THREAT TO CIVILIZATION!

FRANKLY, I THINK WE SHOULD TRY TO DESTROY IT... BEFORE IT DESTROYS US! I'M SURE HEAVY WEAPONS WILL KILL THE CREATURE!

NONSENSE! WE WON'T ALLOW IT!

BLACKHAWK, WON'T YOU AT LEAST TRY TO APPREHEND THIS... THIS THUNDER? IT MAY BE THE KEY TO THE WORLD'S FUTURE!

SUDDENLY, BLACKHAWK'S BELT RADIO BLARES FORTH A CALL FROM ANDRE...

WAIT! ONE OF MY MEN IS CONTACTING ME!

OH, WOES!

ANDRE TO BLACKHAWK! ZE CREATURE IS APPROACHING ZE CITY! WHAT ARE YOUR ORDERS, MON AMI?

STAY CLOSE TO HIM, ANDRE! WE'LL GO OUT AND MEET HIM BEFORE HE ENTERS THE CITY! OUR ORDERS ARE TO TAKE THUNDER PRISONER... IF POSSIBLE!

SACRE... ZAT, I FEAR, CANNOT BE DONE! HOWEVER, WE WILL TRY!

CLICK!

CHUCK, CHOP CHOP, GO TO THE ARSENAL AND GET BAZOOKAS! STANISLAUS, HENDRICKSON AND OLAF... BORROW SEVERAL HEAVY ARTILLERY PIECES FROM THE ARMY! WE'LL MEET AT THE H BOMB SHELTER OUTSIDE OF TOWN!

RIGHT! AS YOU SAY!

YA!

THE BLACKHAWKS ARE DUMBFOUNDED AS THEY HURRY TO THE APPOINTED AREA TO MEET THEIR LEADER!

YEAH... WE GOTTA MEET BLACKHAWK AT THE H-SHELTER!

ANDRE, IT IS GOOD TO SEE YOU SAFE! BUT WHY DO YOU FLAG US DOWN?

HIS ORDERS, MES AMIS, ARE TO HOLD YOU HERE! HE IS RISKING HIS LIFE IN AN ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE THUNDER!

BLACKHAWK IS USING HIMSELF AS BAIT TO LURE ZE CREATURE INTO ZE H-BOMB SHELTER! OUR ORDERS ARE TO LOCK ZE DOOR ON THE OUTSIDE IF HE IS SUCCESSFUL! HE WILL ESCAPE THROUGH THE REAR!

OUR LEADER HAS COURAGE OF A THOUSAND DRAGONS!

JA! LET US WATCH!

BLACKHAWK

AS HIS MEN NERVOUSLY OBSERVE, BLACKHAWK STANDS BOLDLY IN THE PATH OF THE APPROACHING THUNDER!

I'VE GOT TO HOLD MY GROUND... WAIT UNTIL HE'S REAL CLOSE BEFORE I MAKE A BREAK FOR IT! I DON'T WANT THUNDER TO PASS ME BY...



HE'S GOT HIS SIGHTS ON ME... MOVING IN DANGEROUSLY CLOSE! CAN'T PULL OUT YET... I'LL LET HIM GET A GOOD LOOK AT THE BAIT! STEADY...STEADY, BLACKHAWK...

GRRRR...



AAARRO OOWWW!

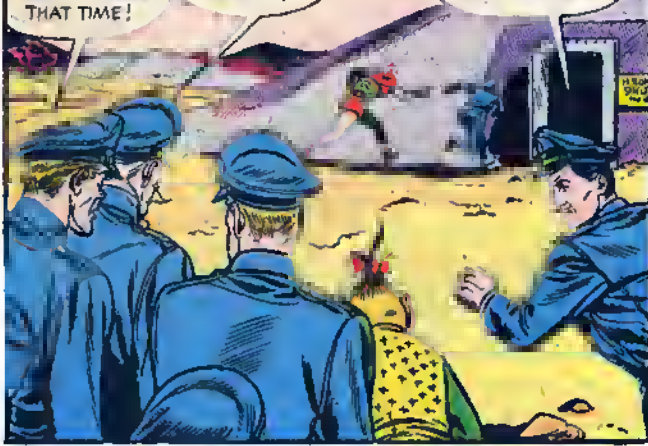
WOW! THAT WAS TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT! NOW TO LEAD THIS CHARACTER TO THE H-SHELTER!



WHEW! I THOUGHT BLACKHAWK WAS A GONER THAT TIME!

YES, CHUCK... IT WAS INDEED A NARROW ESCAPE!

COME, WE MUST SHUT ZE SHELTER DOOR ONCE ZEY BOTH ENTER!



OH WOES... CHOP CHOP MUCH DISTRESSED! HAVE HIGH HOPES WE ARE NOT SEALING DOOM OF HONORABLE LEADER!

OUI! IF ZAT CREATURE GETS HIS HANDS ON BLACKHAWK, IT WEEL BE HIS END!

SUCH AN ORDER IS DIFFICULT TO OBEY! LET US HOPE HE MAKES GOOD HIS ESCAPE THROUGH THE REAR EXIT!



THE MINUTES PASS SLOWLY AS THE FAMED FIGHTERS AWAIT BLACKHAWK! THEN, FEAR LEAPS INTO THEIR HEARTS AS...

Y-YUMPIN' YUPITER! I BAN THINK BLACKHAWK IS TRAPPED!

I CAN'T STAND THIS ANY LONGER! IF BLACKHAWK IS BATTLING THAT THING WE SHOULD BE IN THERE HELPING HIM!

JA! LET'S GO!

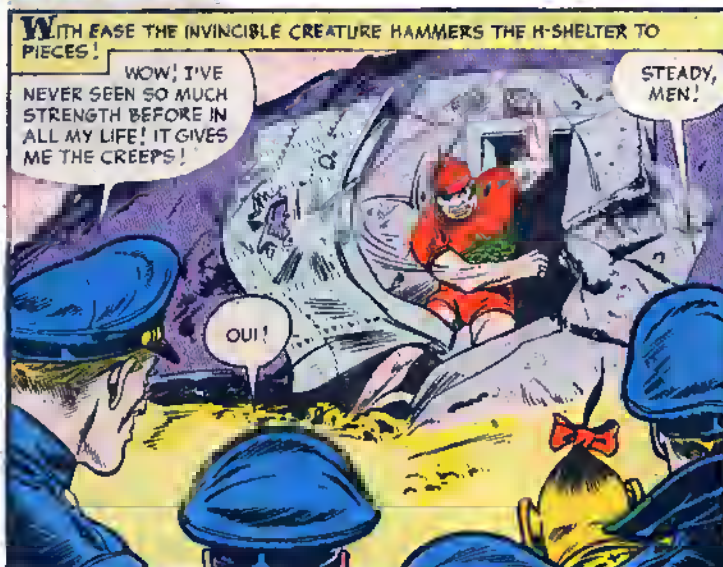
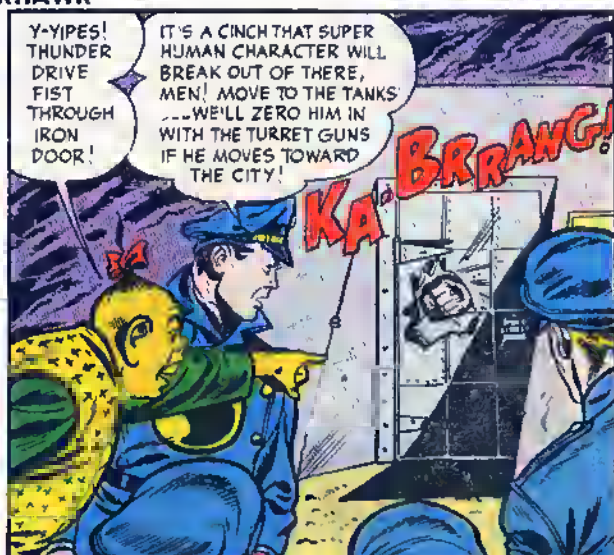


WE'VE GOT TO HURRY! THUNDER WILL TEAR HIM APART IN SECONDS... WHA...!

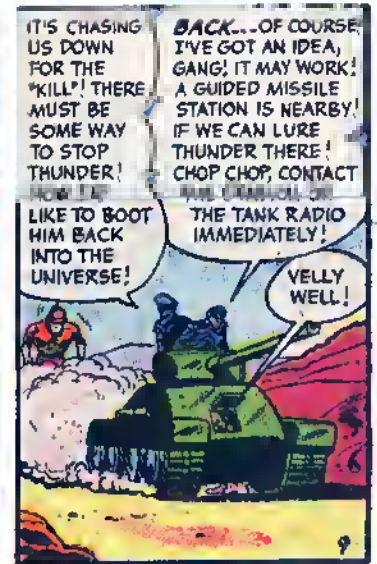
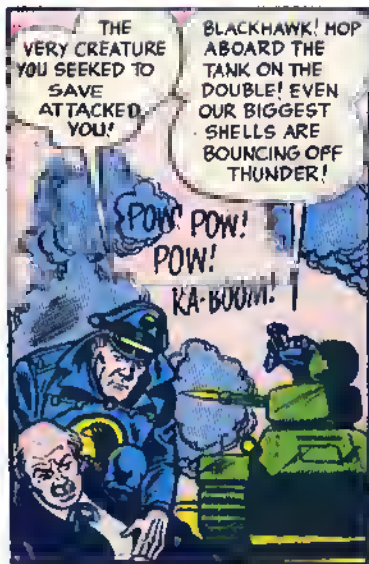
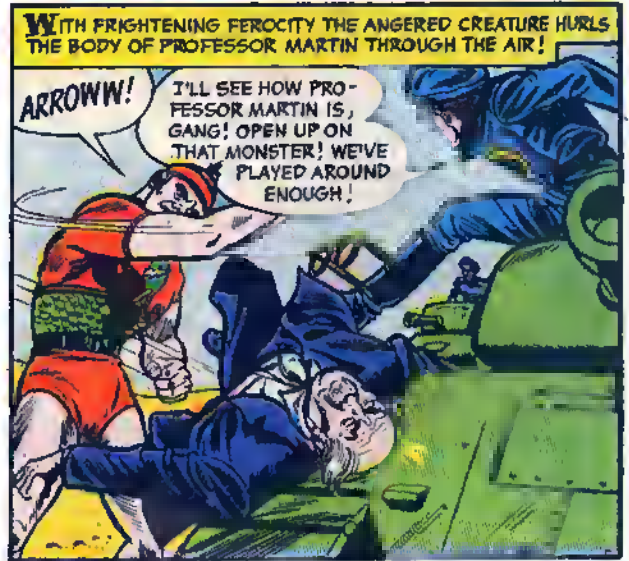
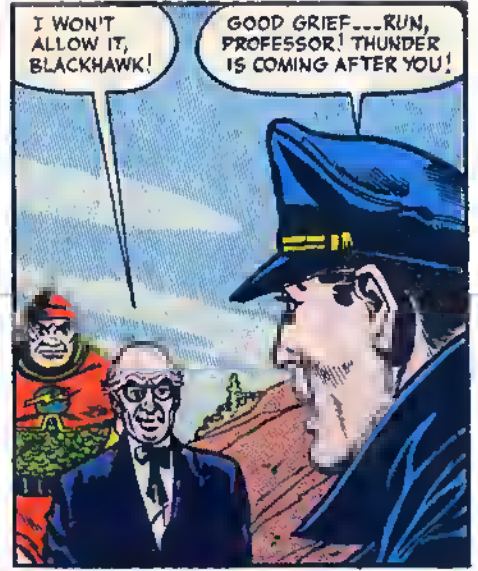
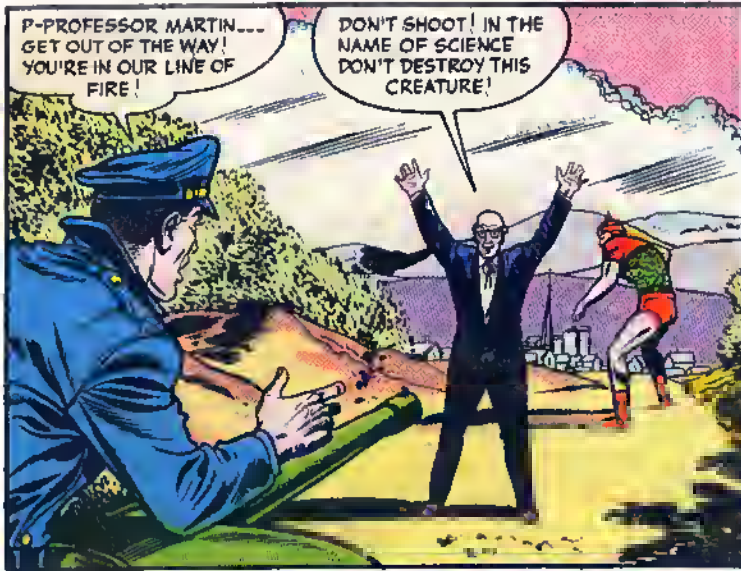
SACRE... EET IS BLACKHAWK!

GREAT HOWLING JETS! LEAVE THAT BOLT ALONE, CHUCK!





BLACKHAWK



BLACKHAWK

BREATHKING MINUTES LATER THE BLACK-HAWKS REACH THE GUIDED MISSILE STATION... THUNDER IN HOT PURSUIT!

ZERE IS THE NEWLY DEVELOPED SUPER-SONIC ROCKET! READY FOR LAUNCHING AS YOU REQUESTED, BLACKHAWK! BUT YOUR PLAN IS TOO DANGEROUS!

THE WORLD IS AT STAKE, ANDRE... NO SACRIFICE IS TOO GREAT! I HOPE THEY LEFT THAT PARACHUTE AND OXYGEN MASK BY THE ROCKET! IT WILL MEAN MY FINISH IF THEY DIDN'T!



HOW DO YOU KNOW THUNDER WILL FOLLOW YOU INTO THE ROCKET, BLACKHAWK? HE MAY CONTINUE TO PURSUE US!

IF MY HUNCH IS CORRECT HE'LL CHASE ME DOWN TO GET EVEN FOR TRAPPING HIM IN THE H-SHELTER! SO LONG, GANG... WISH ME LUCK!



WITH SAD HEARTS THE BLACKHAWKS ONCE AGAIN WATCH THEIR LEADER BAIT THUNDER WITH HIS VERY LIFE!

WELL, AT LEAST ZEE PARACHUTE AND OXYGEN MASK WAS PLACED THERE FOR BLACKHAWK! THERE IS A CHANCE FOR HIS SURVIVAL!

HE'S THE BRAVEST OF US ALL, GANG! IT TAKES REAL GUTS TO LOCK YOURSELF IN A ROCKET WITH THAT THING! WE'RE PULLING FOR YOU BLACKHAWK!

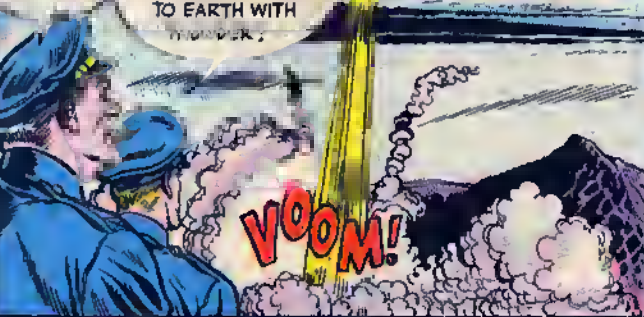


THUNDER ENTERS THE ROCKET... THE DOOR SLAMS SHUT AND THE ROAR OF POWERFUL MOTORS SENDS THE MISSILE HURLING UPWARD AT TREMENDOUS SPEED!

ACH DU LIEBER! WHY DOESN'T BLACKHAWK PARACHUTE JUMP OUT OF THE ROCKET?

HE MUST WAIT, HENDRICKSON! IF HE LEAVES TOO SOON THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY THE ROCKET WILL VEER AND RETURN TO EARTH WITH

VOOM!



HE'D BETTER DO SOMETHING FAST! THAT ROCKET WILL BE IN OUTER SPACE IN ANOTHER FEW SECONDS! OUT OF THE PULL OF GRAVITY THERE IS NO WAY TO GET BACK TO EARTH!

YUMPIN' YIMINY... DOOMED TO FLOAT THROUGH THE UNIVERSE... FOREVER!

OH MISERABLE WOES... CHOP WILL MISS HONORABLE LEADER! PLEASE RETURN TO US!



CLOSER... CLOSER SPEEDS THE ROCKET TOWARD THE SPACE BARRIER! FIVE... THREE... TWO... ONE HUNDRED FEET! THEN A PATCH OF WHITE BLOSSOMS IN THE SKY!

WHEW! I NEVER WANT TO GO THROUGH THAT AGAIN! SO LONG, THUNDER... I HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR TRIP THROUGH SPACE... FOR ETERNITY!



WHEN THE BLACKHAWKS JOIN THEIR VALIANT LEADER AT THE FAR END OF THE TESTING GROUNDS...

SACRE! HE WILL NEVER BOTHER US AGAIN!

PERHAPS... PERHAPS WE'VE SEEN THE LAST OF THUNDER! LET'S HOPE HE DOESN'T PAY US A RETURN VISIT!

YIPES! TWO THUNDERS TOO MANY FOR CHOP CHOP'S HUMBLE NERVES!

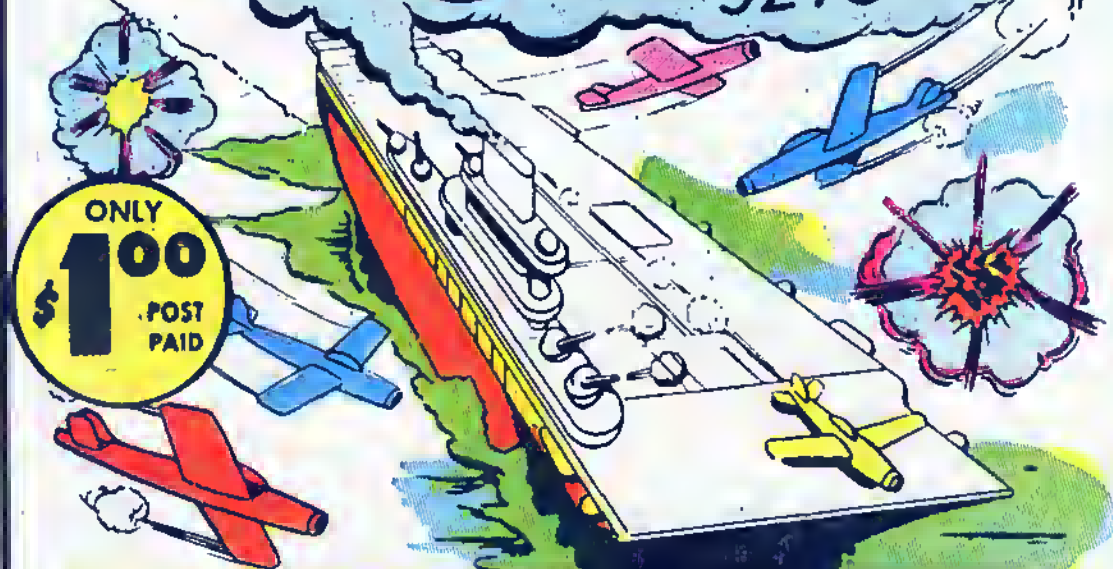


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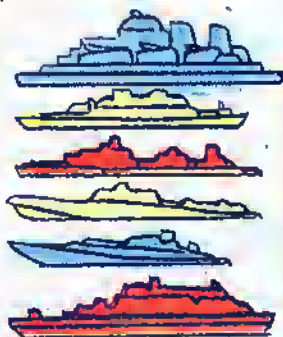
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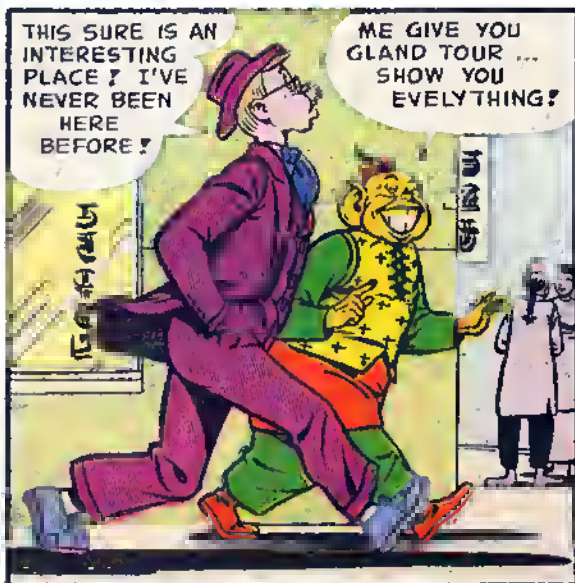
I WONDER WHY
THE CHINESE
INVENTED
FIRECRACKERS?

ME NOT
KNOW! MAYBE
ANCESTORS GET
BIG BANG OUT
OF SAME!



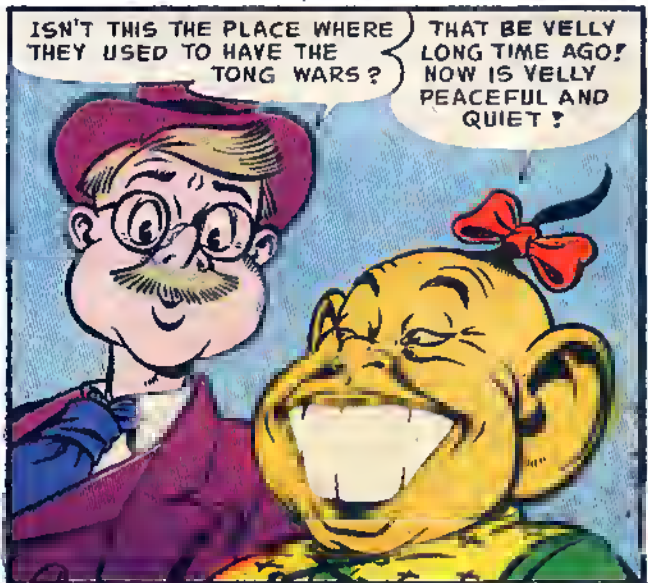
THIS SURE IS AN
INTERESTING
PLACE! I'VE
NEVER BEEN
HERE
BEFORE!

ME GIVE YOU
GLAND TOUR ...
SHOW YOU
EVERYTHING!

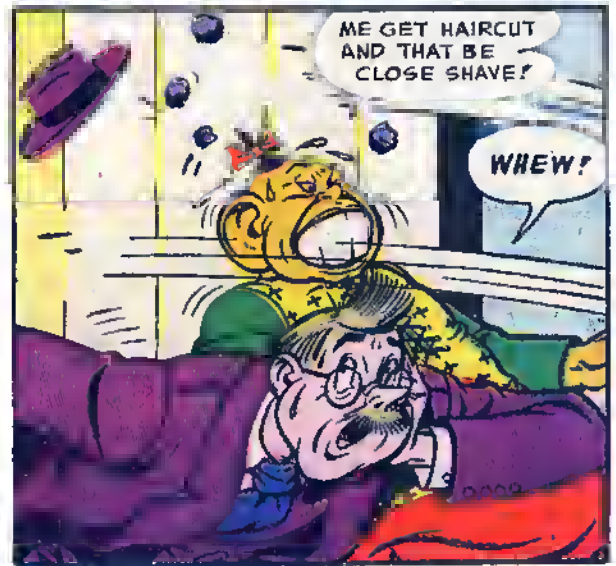
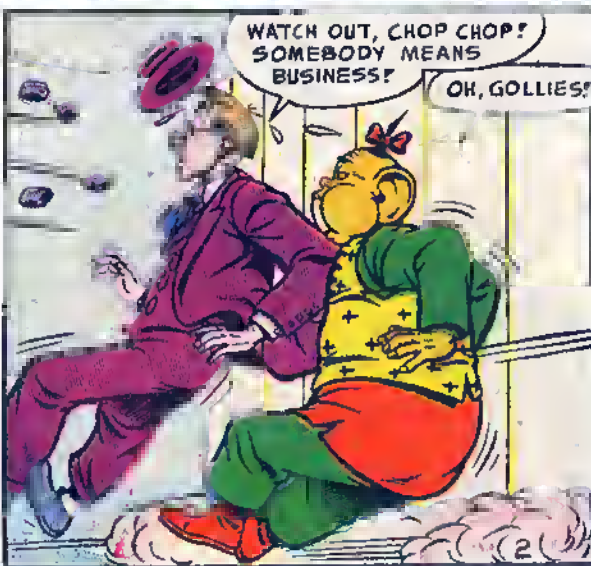
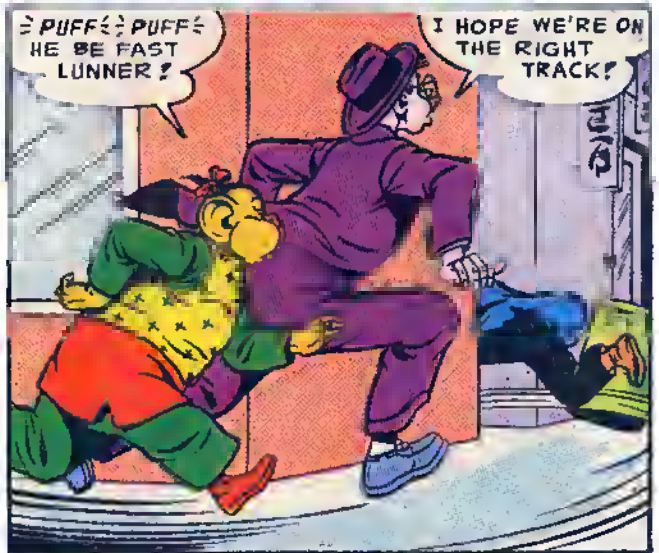


ISN'T THIS THE PLACE WHERE
THEY USED TO HAVE THE
TONG WARS?

THAT BE VELLY
LONG TIME AGO!
NOW IS VELLY
PEACEFUL AND
QUIET!



BLACKHAWK





I THINK WE'LL BE A LOT SAFER IF WE FORGET THE WHOLE BUSINESS!

WOBBLY WOES! WE CAN'T ... THERE BE RUBIES! THAT FELLA, HE DLOP THEM WHEN HE LUN AWAY!

LET'S TURN THEM OVER TO THE COPS! I DON'T WANT TO MEET UP WITH ANY MORE!

THAT BE VELLY GOOD IDEA BUT FIRST WE MUST FIND POLICEMAN!



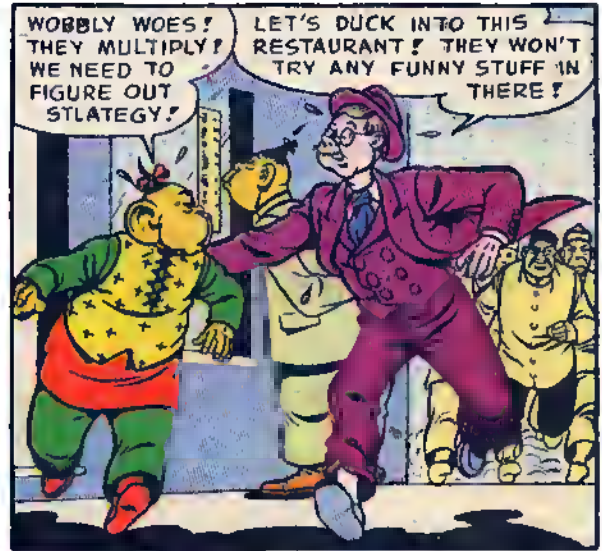
THEY HAVE THE PRECIOUS STONES NOW! WE MUST GET THEM!

THEY ARE NEAR-ING THE STREET OF THE FISHING CAT! THAT IS A GOOD PLACE TO ATTACK THEM!



OH GOLLIES! WE BE FOLLOWED!

IT'S TWO OF US AGAINST TWO OF THEM! WE CAN BEAT THEM!



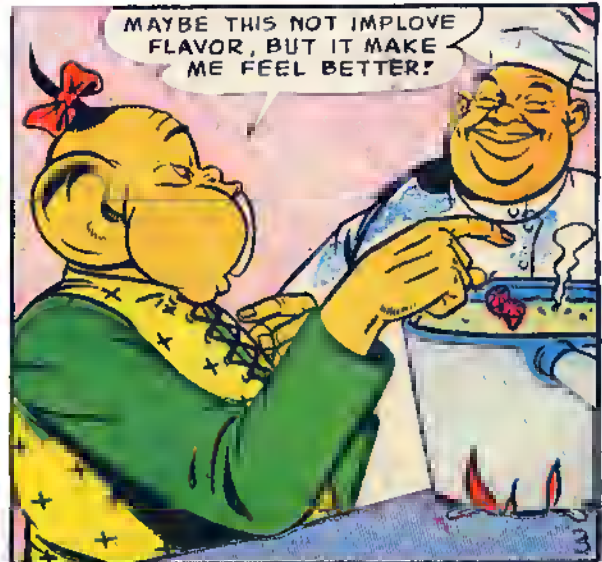
WOBBLY WOES! THEY MULTIPLY! WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT STRATEGY!

LET'S DUCK INTO THIS RESTAURANT! THEY WON'T TRY ANY FUNNY STUFF IN THERE!

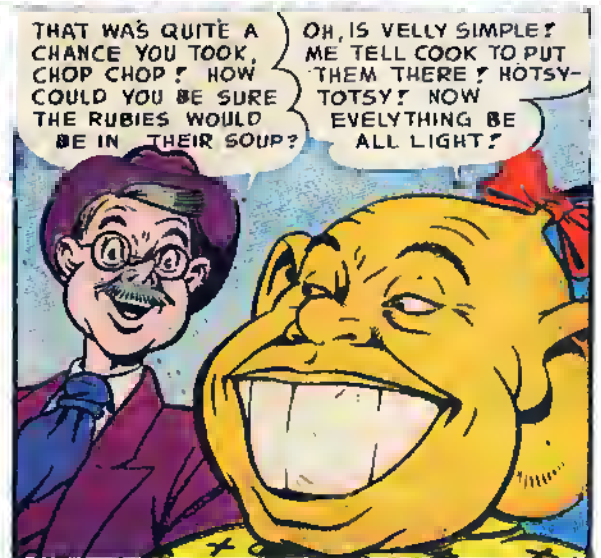
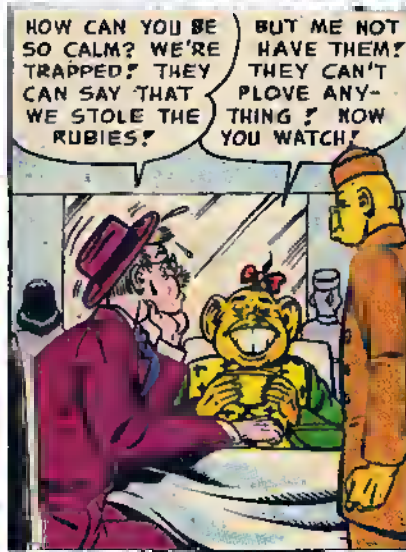
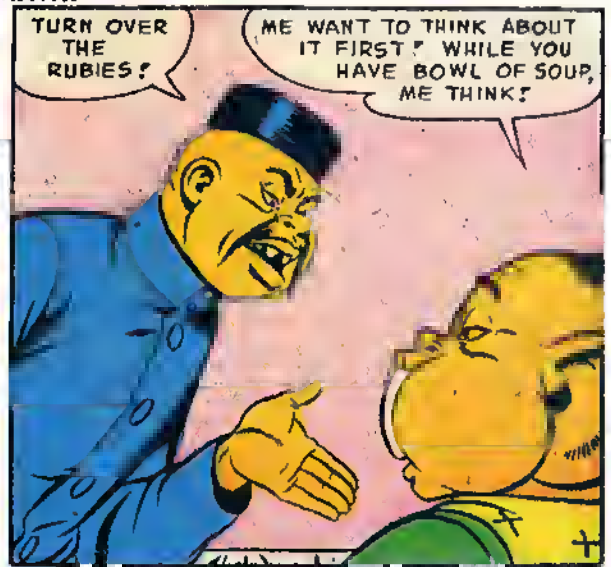
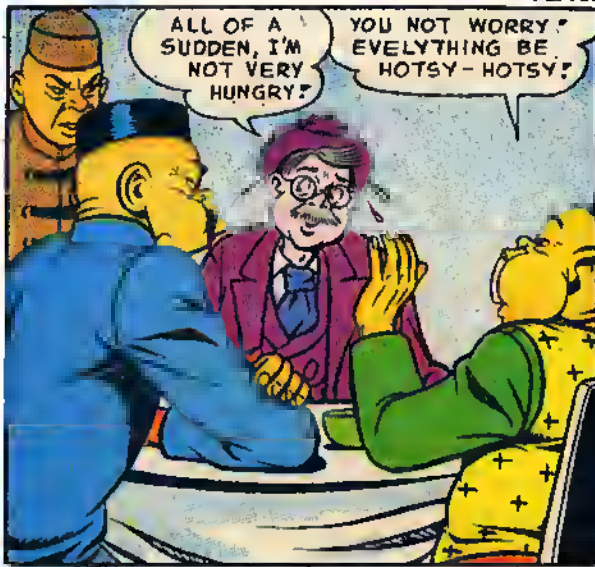


THEY SAW US COME IN HERE! THEY'LL BE ALONG ANY MINUTE!

YOU GET TABLE! ME WANT TO SAY HELLO TO COOK!



MAYBE THIS NOT IMPROVE FLAVOR, BUT IT MAKE ME FEEL BETTER!

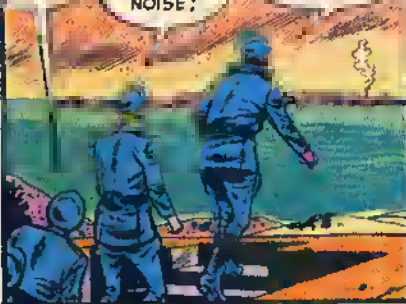


TENSE SECONDS PASS... THERE IS NO BLINDING FLASH, NO THUNDEROUS SOUND FROM THE DEADLY EXPLOSION! THE BEWILDERED BLACKHAWKS LEAVE THEIR PROTECTIVE TRENCH!

SACRE! THAT WAS NOTHING BUT A PUFF, OLAF!

YAH, ANDRE! I BAN THINK THE H-BOMB MAKE MUCH MORE NOISE!

IT DOES, OLAF! SOMETHING MUST HAVE GONE WRONG! LET'S CHECK WITH THE SCIENTISTS!



WITHIN THE MASTER CONTROL TOWER...

W-WE HAVE NO EXPLANATION FOR THE TEST FAILURE, BLACK-HAWK! MY ASSISTANTS HAVE RETRACED OUR STEPS THOROUGHLY... THE H-BOMB SHOULD HAVE GONE OFF!

I CAN UNDER- STAND YOUR DISAPPOINTMENT, PROFESSOR... MONTHS OF PRE- PARATION FOR NOTHING! WHEN

WHEN WILL YOU TRY AGAIN?



FORTUNATELY, WE BROUGHT SEVERAL RESERVE BOMBS WITH US! WE'LL MAKE ARRANGE- MENTS FOR ANOTHER TEST TOMORROW AT THIS SAME TIME!

BLACKHAWK, SOME CHARACTER HAS CUT IN ON OUR RADIO FREQUENCY! HE... WANTS TO SPEAK TO YOU!

WHAT? NOW, WHO IN THUNDER COULD THAT BE?



AT THE ISLAND RADIO STATION THE FAMED FIGHTERS FOR FREEDOM RECEIVE THE SHOCK OF THEIR LIVES!

DR. HYDRO SPEAKING, BLACKHAWK! I AM THE ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FAILURE OF THE H-BOMB TEST! YOU SEE, I HAVE INVENTED A MACHINE THAT RENDERS ALL H-BOMBS USELESS!

T-THAT'S PRETTY BIG TALK, MISTER! CARE TO BACK IT UP?



PRECISELY WHY I HAVE CONTACTED YOU! PROCEED TO LAGO ISLAND AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK TOMORROW AND I WILL PROVE MY STATEMENT!

VERY WELL... WE'LL BE THERE!

BLACKHAWK, YOU'RE NOT FALLING FOR THAT HOOEY ARE YOU? IT'S SOME CRACK- POT!



I AGREE WITH CHUCK! SUCH A STATEMENT IS PURE NONSENSE!

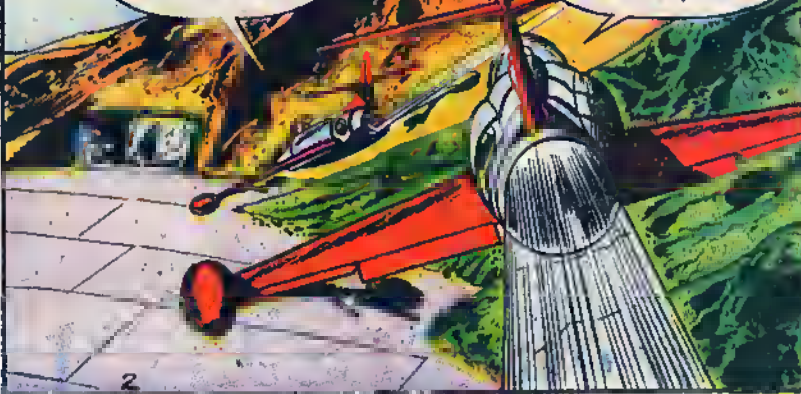
PERHAPS, GENERAL ADAMS! HOWEVER, I'VE SEEN AND FOUGHT SOME PRETTY INCREDIBLE WEAPONS IN MY DAYS WITH THE BLACK-HAWKS! ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE!



THUS IT IS THAT SLEEK BLACKHAWK JETS SLIP DOWN FROM THE SKY TO LAND AT THE REMOTE ISLAND THE FOLLOWING DAY! THERE ANOTHER SURPRISE AWAITS THEM...

B-BLACKHAWK! THE ENTIRE SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN...IT IS SLIDING OPEN!

YES, STANISLAUS! I'M AFRAID THIS DR. HYDRO IS MORE THEN A MERE MADMAN, GANG!



BLACKHAWK

WELCOME, BLACKHAWKS!
ENTER MY MOUNTAIN
HANGAR AND WALK STRAIGHT
AHEAD TO MY BRIEFING
ROOM WHERE WE WILL
CONSULT!

MON AMI...I
SENSE ZERE EES
SOMETHING
SINISTER HERE!

I AGREE,
ANDRE! THIS
CHARACTER
IS TOO WELL
ORGANIZED!
LET'S GO...

THE FAMED FREEDOM FIGHTERS GO THROUGH THE HANGAR AND
DOWN A LONG CORRIDOR TO COME FACE TO FACE WITH...DR. HYDRO!

AH...THERE YOU ALL ARE! COME
NO CLOSER...MY PROTECTIVE
LIGHTNING BARRIER WILL DISIN-
TEGRATE ANYTHING THAT MAKES
CONTACT!

I PRESUME YOU ARE DR.
HYDRO! WELL, WE'RE
HERE TO CALL YOUR
BLUFF! START TALKING!

BLUFF? HAW...THE
SILENCER IS NO
FIGMENT OF MY
IMAGINATION,
BLACKHAWK! WAIT
UNTIL YOU FEAST
YOUR EYES UPON
THE WEAPON!

HE IS MAD,
BLACKHAWK!
BUT
BEWARE...
HE MIGHT
BE A MAD
GENIUS!

THE SILENCER,
GENTLEMEN...CAP-
ABLE OF MAKING AN
H-BOMB EXPLOSION
NO MORE DANGEROUS
THAN A CAP PISTOL!

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DANGER-
OUS!

YES, BUT IS IT,
HENDRICKSON? PROVE
THE POWER OF THIS
SILENCER TO US, HYDRO!
ANOTHER H-BOMB TEST
IS SCHEDULED TO
START IN A
MINUTE!

I AM WELL AWARE OF THAT,
BLACKHAWK, AND HAVE MADE
ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR
VIEWING IT! AFTER I INTER-
CEPTED WORD OF TODAY'S
TEST I SET UP TELESIGHTS
FOR YOUR USE!

IF THIS NUT IS
PULLING A
GAG HE'S GO-
ING RIGHT
THROUGH TO
THE BITTER
END WITH IT,
ANDRE!

THE BLACKHAWKS TAKE UP POSITIONS BE-
HIND THE TELESIGHTS AND NERVOUSLY
AWAIT ZERO SECOND FOR THE BLAST!
FINALLY...

IT SHOULD BE
SET OFF RIGHT
NOW!

Y-YES, ANDRE! THIS
HYDRO IS NO JOKER...
AND HE'S GOT THAT
MACHINE TO BACK
HIM UP!

SACRE BLEU!
ZEE RAY FROM
HYDRO'S SILENCER...
EET HAS MADE THE
EXPLOSION A
LEETLE PUFF!

BLACKHAWK

STUNNED AND SHOCKED AT WHAT THEY HAVE SEEN THE BLACKHAWKS CONFRONT THE INCREDIBLE DR. HYDRO!

GOLLY GEES! DONNER-WETTER!

GREAT SCOTT, DOCTOR HYDRO, YOUR INSTRUMENT WILL DISARM THE MIGHT OF THE FREE WORLD... RENDER IT HELPLESS AGAINST ENEMY AGGRESSION!

PRECISELY, BLACKHAWK! MY KEEN BRAIN HAS DEVELOPED A **REVERSE POWER** IN THE WORLD ARMS RACE! WHERE OTHERS SEEK TO CONQUER WITH THE ATOM, I SHALL DOMINATE BY DESTROYING IT!

DOMINATE? GOOD GRIEF, MAH... SCIENCE WOULD HAPPILY ACCEPT YOUR INVENTION! IT WOULD PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART IN WORLD PEACE!

I CARE NOTHING FOR PEACE OR WAR, YOU FOOLS! I WANT PRESTIGE, POSITION! AND THIS... THIS MASTER INSTRUMENT OF SILENCE MORE DEADLY THAN THE ATOM BOMB... IT TO ME!

I'VE HEARD ENOUGH! YOU'RE SICK, DR. HYDRO... SICK IN THE MIND! LET'S GO, LET'S GO!

THIS MAN IS DANGEROUS, ANDRE...

MON DIEU! HE EES ZE MAD MAN...

STOP! STOP! DO NOT TURN YOUR BACKS UPON ME!

YOU WILL SPEAK TO YOUR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS... YOU WILL TELL THEM THAT I, DOCTOR HYDRO, DEMAND THE PRESIDENCY OF THE UNITED STATES! TELL THEM I HAVE HAD AN OFFER FROM THE KREMLIN! IF THEY DO NOT MEET MY TERMS RUSSIA RECEIVES MY INVENTION!

THEY WILL MAKE ME COMMISSAR OF A GREAT NATION IF I AGREE! THE DEMOCRACIES WILL BE HELPLESS WHEN THE REDS RECEIVE MY INVENTION! I PREFER TO RULE AMERICA... BUT I WILL DO BUSINESS WITH OTHERS IF I MUST! YOU HAVE TWENTY FOUR HOURS TO DECIDE!

VERY WELL... DOCTOR HYDRO! READY, GANG...

LATER, AT THE ISLAND TEST BASE BLACKHAWK GRIMLY SPEAKS WITH GENERAL ADAMS...

I TRIED TO ACT UNIMRESSED WITH THE FANATIC, GENERAL, BUT THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT... HE HAS A TWISTED MIND AND A TERRIBLE WEAPON AGAINST US!

FANTASTIC... FANTASTIC! PRESIDENCY OF THE UNITED STATES! HOW COULD HE EXPECT WE WOULD AGREE TO SUCH A THING?

BLACKHAWK

HE EXPECTS IT BECAUSE HE IS INSANE, GENERAL ADAMS! WE'VE ONLY ONE THING IN OUR FAVOR...TIME! BUT HIS DEADLINE IS NEARLY UP! I CAN ONLY HOPE TO CONVINCE HIM OF HIS FOLLY BY RADIO!

THEN, AS BLACKHAWK DIALS IN THE MAD DOCTOR'S RADIO FREQUENCY...

...THEREFORE, DOCTOR HYDRO, WE BEG OF YOU TO LISTEN TO REASON! THE REDS WILL BETRAY YOU ONCE THEY HAVE YOUR INVENTION! PLEASE...TALK WITH US! WE CANNOT AGREE TO YOUR DEMANDS!

HA! I THOUGHT AS MUCH...THAT IS WHY I HAVE MADE SURE YOU CANNOT RETURN AND BOMB MY SILENCER FROM THE AIR!

THE FANATICAL VOICE OF DOCTOR HYDRO RINGS IN BLACKHAWK'S EAR...

WHA...? NO, NO, DOCTOR HYDRO, DON'T DO IT!

SACRE BLEU! WHAT EES EET, BLACKHAWK?

ACH! VASS ISS HE SAYING, BLACK-HAWK?

BLACKHAWK'S FACE TURNS CHALK WHITE AND...

THE CRACKPOT ANTICIPATED OUR DECISION...HE'S ALREADY APPROACHING THE COMMIE COASTLINE IN RED CHINA! HE'S GOING TO GIVE THEM HIS HELL WEAPON! LET'S GO, GANG!

SUFFERING SUNFISH!

YUMPIN YIMINY! HE IS CRAZY LIKE THE FOX!

LATER BLACKHAWK CHECKS HIS RADAR BEAM CHART AS THE SIX JETS STREAK WESTWARD AT TOP SPEED!

PICKED HIS VESSEL UP ON RADAR SCOPE, GANG...HE'S CLOSE TO THE COAST...NO VESSELS PLY THOSE LANES WITH FREIGHT OR TOURISTS...WE MUST HAVE THE RIGHT SHIP!

FORTY MINUTES LATER, THE BLACKHAWKS WING OUT OF THE CLOUDS OVER THE RED SHORE LINE TO SEE INTENSE ACTIVITY BELOW AS...

GREAT CATS! HYDRO'S ALREADY LANDED...THE REDS ARE LUGGING HIS MACHINE OFF! PUT JETS ON REMOTE CONTROL, GANG! GOT TO STOP THEM! BAIL OUT! BAIL OUT!

AS THE BLACKHAWKS FLOAT DOWN...

SNAPPILY DRAGON TOOTHIES! ENEMY COME OUT OF WOODS LIKE LOCUST!

GREAT CATS! THAT CLEVER CRACKPOT HAS WARNED THE REDS WE MIGHT FOLLOW! W-WE'RE TRAPPED!



WE'VE PARACHUTED INTO A RAT'S NESTS! CUT YOUR SHROUD LINES... MAKE FOR DOCTOR HYDRO'S MACHINE! WE'VE GOT TO DESTROY IT BEFORE THE REDS GET IT!

ACH! DER SVINE ARE TAKING NO CHANCES!



DESPERATELY, THE BLACKHAWKS SHED THEIR CHUTES AND LASH INTO COMBAT!

THEY'VE GOT THAT MACHINE SURROUNDED, BLACKHAWK! H-HOW ARE WE GOING TO GET AT IT?

I BAN TANK THERE ARE TOO MANY OF THEM!

KEEP TRYING! KEEP TRYING, GANG! WE MUST DESTROY THAT FIENDISH WEAPON! IT COULD MEAN THE END OF FREEDOM FOR THE WORLD!



WITH SUPERHUMAN EFFORT THE BLACKHAWKS CHARGE AGAINST THE OVERWHELMING MANPOWER BUT...

T-TOO MANY OF THEM....



THEN...

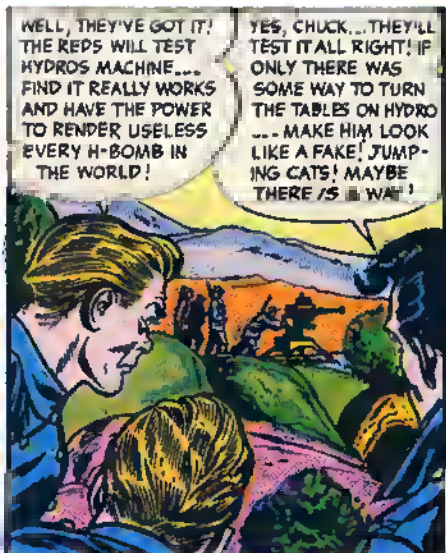
SACRE BLEU! ZEY ARE SHOOTING INTO ZERE OWN MEN AS WELL AS US!

OF COURSE, ANDRE! HUMAN LIFE, EVEN THEIR OWN MEN, MEANS NOTHING TO THOSE MONSTERS! BACK...WE'VE GOT TO RETREAT!



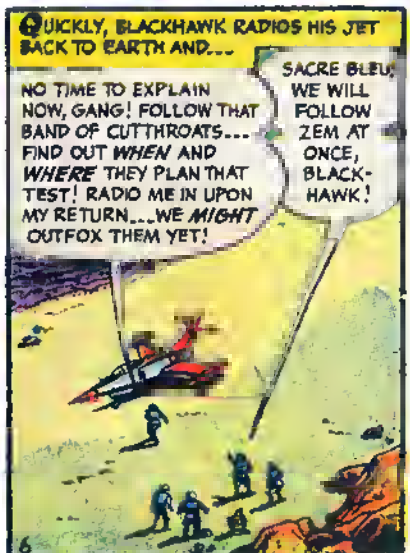
GOLLY GEES! ENEMY BE LAUGHING AT US NOW!

WE CAN'T HELP THE WORLD OR OURSELVES BY BEING SHOT DOWN IN COLD BLOOD, CHOP CHOP!



WELL, THEY'VE GOT IT! THE REDS WILL TEST HYDRO'S MACHINE... FIND IT REALLY WORKS AND HAVE THE POWER TO RENDER USELESS EVERY H-BOMB IN THE WORLD!

YES, CHUCK...THEY'LL TEST IT ALL RIGHT! IF ONLY THERE WAS SOME WAY TO TURN THE TABLES ON HYDRO... MAKE HIM LOOK LIKE A FAKE! JUMPING CATS! MAYBE THERE IS A WAY!



QUICKLY, BLACKHAWK RADIOS HIS JET BACK TO EARTH AND...

NO TIME TO EXPLAIN NOW, GANG! FOLLOW THAT BAND OF CUTTHROATS... FIND OUT WHEN AND WHERE THEY PLAN THAT TEST! RADIO ME IN UPON MY RETURN...WE MIGHT OUTFOX THEM YET!

SACRE BLEU! WE WILL FOLLOW ZEM AT ONCE, BLACKHAWK!

BLACKHAWK

LATER THE BLACKHAWKS WAIT TENSELY AS...



YOU HAD BEST NOT FAIL US, DOCTOR HYDRO!

NEVER FEAR!

ACH, DEY ARE HEARLY READY TO FIRE UND BLACKHAWK ISS NOT BACK!

SUPPENLY...



SACRE BLEU! WHEN ZE H-BOMB IS SET OFF ON ZAT ISLAND AND HYDRO RENDERS IT USELESS WE ARE DOOMED... MON DIEU! EET IS BLACKHAWK!

GANG, GANG! I'M HEADING TOWARD THE COAST! HAS THE TEST BEEH SET OFF YET? OVER!

WHILE ABOVE THE CLOUDS...



ZEY ARE STARTING NOW! ZE BOMB IS ON DAGGER OFF SHORE... ZE COUNT HAS BEGUN... FIVE SECONDS... FOUR SECONDS... WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING TO DO, BLACKHAWK?

NO TIME NOW, ANDRE! KEEP YOUR CHINS UP, GANG... HERE I GO...



TWO SECONDS... ONE SECOND...

TWO SECONDS... ONE SECOND...

I BAN TANK WE ARE LOST! BLACKHAWK FLIES TOWARD THE ISLAND... YUMPIN YIMINY! WHAT CAN HE DO NOW?



THEN...

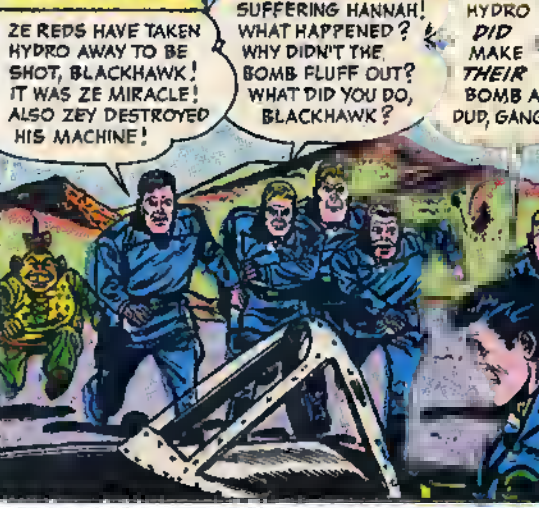
SACRE BLEU! ZE BOMB! SHE BLEW UP...

KA-BOOM!

DOG OF A LIAR! YOU HAVE TRICKED US! SEIZE THE SWINE!

WHA...?

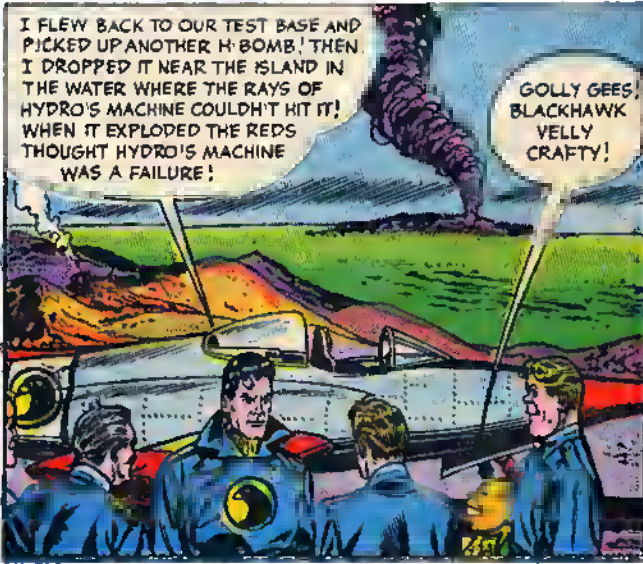
MOMENTS AFTERWARDS, AS BLACKHAWK ZOOMS DOWN FOR A LANDING...



ZE REDS HAVE TAKEN HYDRO AWAY TO BE SHOT, BLACKHAWK! IT WAS ZE MIRACLE! ALSO ZEY DESTROYED HIS MACHINE!

SUFFERING HANNAH! WHAT HAPPENED? WHY DIDN'T THE BOMB FLUFF OUT? WHAT DID YOU DO, BLACKHAWK?

HYDRO DID MAKE THEIR BOMB A DUD, GANG!



I FLEW BACK TO OUR TEST BASE AND PICKED UP ANOTHER H-BOMB! THEN I DROPPED IT NEAR THE ISLAND IN THE WATER WHERE THE RAYS OF HYDRO'S MACHINE COULDN'T HIT IT! WHEN IT EXPLODED THE REDS THOUGHT HYDRO'S MACHINE WAS A FAILURE!

GOLLY GEES, BLACKHAWK VELLY CRAFTY!

THE ISLE OF NO RETURN

FOG hung over the small atoll of Balu like a great gray shroud! From where Jim Baker stood on a nearby island, he could barely make out its location by a few jagged rocks that cut through the mist!

"It's a good day to go over," he said to his two companions, Al Harvey and Lou Gates! "Maybe we can sneak up without being seen!"

"I do not like for you to make this dangerous mission," warned old Kapoa, a native Chief! "It means death! No one who goes there now ever returns!"

"That's why we're here," explained Baker. "To solve the mystery of the missing persons! A few ships have disappeared around here, too!"

"But when we radio the lighthouse keeper," Harvey added, "he always says everything's okay!"

The three Government inspectors took off in small boats believing that by approaching the island by the back door, so to speak, they would stand a better chance of arriving unnoticed! There most certainly was some evil force at work on Balu, for word had come from several neighboring islands of natives who had gone there and never come back! Baker and his men didn't know what to expect but they were armed to the hilt and prepared, they thought, for any emergency!

They were wrong! No sooner had they slid their boats into a small cove and stepped onto land than a net dropped down upon them and they were jerked off their feet and trapped like animals! A half dozen burly giants of men closed in upon them and carried them like a cradle on poles over their shoulders! The three men were in a tangle and helpless to reach for their firearms and when they were finally released on the other side of the island, they were surrounded by villains of various unholy descriptions who kept them covered while they were frisked of everything they carried including part of their clothes!

A small, ratty looking man with a crooked smile and a droopy eye stepped from a thatched hut and walked toward them! "I'm Squint Garmon," he informed them with a lopsided grin! "I'm the boss here!"

"Squint Garmon?" echoed Baker, staring! "You're the escaped convict with ten grand on your head!"

"That's right! But you won't collect! Nobody who comes here ever returns to talk! Too bad you guys got so snoopy!"

The men were given an ultimatum, either to

work with the rest of the slave labor or be tossed from the cliff to certain death on the rocks below!

"We have no choice," said Baker! "We'll work!" And when they were being marched into place to take part in the enforced drudgery, he whispered low to his companions, "Go along for a few days! Find out what you can!"

Jim had never worked so hard in his life as he did after that! Being an expert swimmer and diver, his job was to go down to the sunken ships and bring up cargo! Rows of men, under merciless armed guards, served as lifts to pass the heavy loads from one to the other up from the sea!

"Like a chain gang," thought Jim, "but at least I've found out what's going on here and what happened to the ships and their crews and the natives who disappeared! The next thing is to find a way to set them free, and me too!"

It took a few days to hit upon a plan! He found a large, sharp clam shell and hid it where it would be easily accessible! Then, when he came upon a cargo carton of soft wood, he carved across the top: **REVOLT AT SIGNAL!** As he delivered the box to the first man in line, he pointed to the inscription! And all the way up the steep precipice, others did the same! The guards didn't see them! And some men, when they could, armed themselves with stones! Others clenched their fists, ready for the foray!

They were all together, being herded to the barbed wire enclosure where they spent their nights, when a shout rang out! "Let's go!" It was Baker! The guards were outnumbered and rocks and fists flew fast! Some men fell in the effort to escape but the rebellion ended in success! The last to be encountered was Boss Garmon, himself, and Jim Baker found him cowardly and cringing when he had no henchmen to fight his battles!

After all the culprits were securely bound, Jim inspected the lighthouse! He found the old keeper, locked in a room, a victim of the vicious pirates! He had been forced to report no trouble while Garmon and his men had caused shipwrecks with a misplaced beacon and shanghaied men into slavery!

"One of the rottenest schemes I ever heard of," said Baker to Harvey and Gates after everything was under control! "But Balu will no longer be the isle of no return! And one thing's certain—there'll be no returning from where Squint Garmon and his gang are going!"

BLACKHAWK

IT APPEARS TO BE THE DOOM OF THE MIGHTY BLACKHAWKS WHEN THE WORLD'S GREATEST MARKSMAN STALKS THEM DOWN FOR THE "KILL"! FOR HOW CAN THEY POSSIBLY DEFEND THEMSELVES AGAINST A RIFLE ACE WHO CAN SHOOT WITH INCREDIBLE ACCURACY? YES... THERE IS LITTLE CHANCE FOR SURVIVAL WHEN THE FAMED FREEDOM FIGHTERS ARE ZEROED IN BY...

The PHANTOM SNIPER



THE HOWL OF POWERFUL JET ENGINES SHATTERS THE AIR OVER EUROPE AS THE FREE WORLD PREPARES TO TEST ITS LATEST SUPER BOMBERS! SUDDENLY...



JUST TWO DAYS LATER A FREIGHT TRAIN CARRYING AN ATOMIC CANNON MEETS A SIMILAR FATE AS IT CLATTERS ACROSS A BRIDGE ON THE LE HAVRE-PARIS RUN!



AS THESE CATASTROPHES CONTINUE INTELLIGENCE TEAMS SEARCH FOR EVIDENCE OF POSSIBLE **SABOTAGE!**

NOTHING SUSPICIOUS HERE! IF SABOTEURS DID BLOW UP THIS ATOMIC PLANT THEY CERTAINLY COVERED THEIR TRACKS!

A SUPER BOMBER... AN ATOMIC CANNON... AND NOW THIS! IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THEY WERE ALL ACCIDENTS! WELL, LET'S FILE OUR REPORT TO HQ!



BLARING HEADLINES CARRY THE NEWS TO THE PEOPLE!

MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSIONS THREATEN EUROPEAN DEFENSE

SABOTAGE? ARMY TIGHTENS SECURITY... WERE THEY ACCIDENTS?

WORRIED GENERAL STAFF SUMMONS THE WORLD RENOWNED BLACKHAWKS FOR HELP!



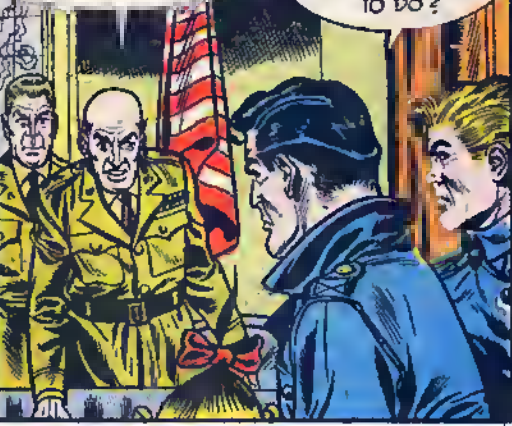
WE'RE CONVINCED THESE ARE ALL ACTS OF SABOTAGE, BLACKHAWK... BUT WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE OR PROOF! I'M PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE DOCKLANDS ARRIVAL! THAT'S WHY I SENT FOR YOU!

THE DOLPHIN... OUR LATEST ATOMIC SUB! HM-M... IT IS QUITE POSSIBLE SABOTEURS MAY TRY TO DESTROY HER WHEN SHE DOCKS TOMORROW, GENERAL!



IF SABOTEURS ARE BEHIND THESE "ACCIDENTS", I'M SURE THE DOLPHIN WILL BE ONE OF THEIR TARGETS! WE NEED YOUR HELP, BLACKHAWK!

I CAN UNDERSTAND YOUR FLIGHT, SIR! EUROPEAN DEFENSE IS IN GRAVE DANGER! JUST WHAT DO YOU WANT US TO DO?



SET A TRAP TO TRIP UP THESE CHARACTERS! IF WE CAN DISCOVER WHO THEY ARE THEY'RE AS GOOD AS CAUGHT!

SUCH INTERNATIONAL RODENTS ARE CUNNING DEVILS, GENERAL! ZEY ARE DIFFICULT TO LURE INTO ZEE TRAP!

ANDRE'S RIGHT... THE BAIT HAS GOT TO LOOK LIKE THE REAL THING!



SO WE'LL GIVE IT TO THEM, GENERAL! THE DOLPHIN'S SCHEDULED TO DOCK AT NOON TOMORROW! IF YOU CAN DELAY HER AN HOUR WE BLACKHAWKS MAY BE ABLE TO... IDEA...

GO TO IT, BLACKHAWK! I'LL NOTIFY THE SUB CAPTAIN TO CHANGE HIS SCHEDULE IMMEDIATELY!



YUMPIN YIMINY! WHAT BAN YOUR IDEA, BLACKHAWK?

I SHARE OLAF'S BEWILDERMENT!

I'LL EXPLAIN ON THE WAY OVER TO THE DOCKS, STANISLAUS! COME ON, FELLOWS! WE'VE GOT A LOT OF WORK TO DO!



AT 1100 HOURS THE FOLLOWING DAY A SUBMARINE CHURNS THROUGH THE HARBOR ENTRANCE! AND FROM AN ABANDONED LIGHTHOUSE A STRANGE FIGURE OBSERVES...

AH...HERE COMES THE ATOMIC SUBMARINE! AN ARMOR PIERCING BULLET SHOULD DO THE JOB! A SQUEEZE OF THE TRIGGER AND THE SNIPER WILL EARN ANOTHER HUNDRED THOUSAND! HO, HO...



THE INVENTION OF MY X-RAY GUN SIGHT ALLOWS ME TO SEE THROUGH THE SUB'S HULL TO THE ATOMIC CHAMBER! AND MY INGENIOUS BULLET DOES THE REST!



AN INSTANT LATER THE BLACKHAWKS ARE ALERTED WITHIN THE SUB WHEN...

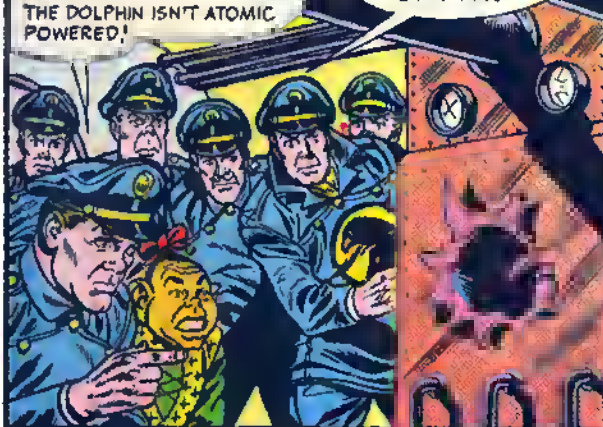
ACH DU LIEBER! VOT WAS THAT?

IF MY HUNCH IS RIGHT IT'S A CALLING CARD FROM OUR SABOTEURS, HENDRICKSON! LET'S HAVE A LOOK!



WELL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW... AN ARMOR PIERCING BULLET DRILLED A HOLE CLEAR THROUGH THE PHONY ATOMIC PILE! IT'S A LUCKY THING THIS SUB WE CONVERTED TO LOOK LIKE THE DOLPHIN ISN'T ATOMIC POWERED!

YES, CHUCK! THE ESCAPING RADIATION FROM THE PILE WOULD HAVE KILLED ALL OF US! THE SABOTEUR IS A CUNNING SNIPER!



A SNIPER! NO WONDER THE INTELLIGENCE TEAMS DIDN'T FIND EVIDENCE OF SABOTAGE! THE BULLETS HE FIRED MELTED IN THE HEAT OF THE DESTRUCTION!

EXACTLY, CHUCK! GREAT SCOTT... FROM THE ANGLE THIS BULLET ENTERED THE HULL THE ONLY POSSIBLE SPOT IT COULD HAVE BEEN FIRED FROM WAS THE LIGHTHOUSE!

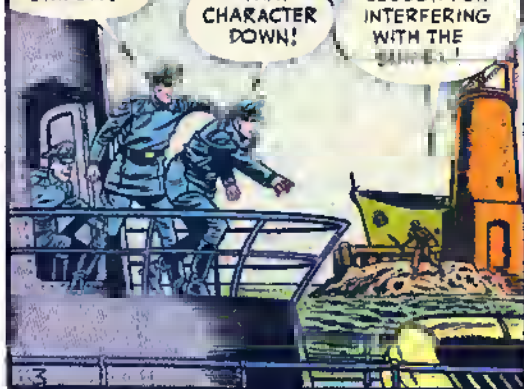


WITH LIGHTNING SPEED THE FAMED FIGHTERS FOR FREEDOM RUSH TO THE DECK!

VOILA, BLACKHAWK...ZAT MAN LEAVING ZEE LIGHTHOUSE! HE EES OUR SNIPER!

TO THE LIFERAFT, MEN! LET'S RUN THAT CHARACTER DOWN!

THE BLACKHAWKS! NO WONDER I FAILED! THEY MUST BE TAUGHT A LESSON FOR INTERFERING WITH THE GAME!



AS THE BLACKHAWKS HURRY TO THE SHORE...

PY YIMINY... THE OARS!

DEY ARE KAPUT, OLAF! DER SNIPER SHOT THEM!

H-HEY... MY HAT!

THAT CHARACTER IS COMING TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT! WE'D BETTER SWIM THE REST OF THE WAY, GANG!

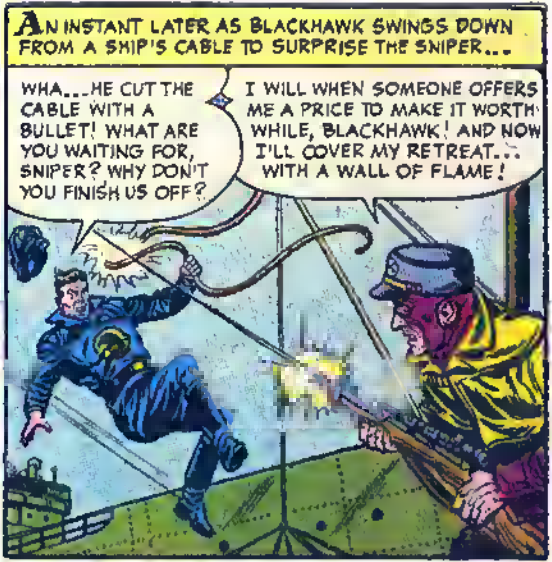




Y-YIPES!
THE HEEL
OF MY
BOOT... HE
JUST SHOT
IT OFF!

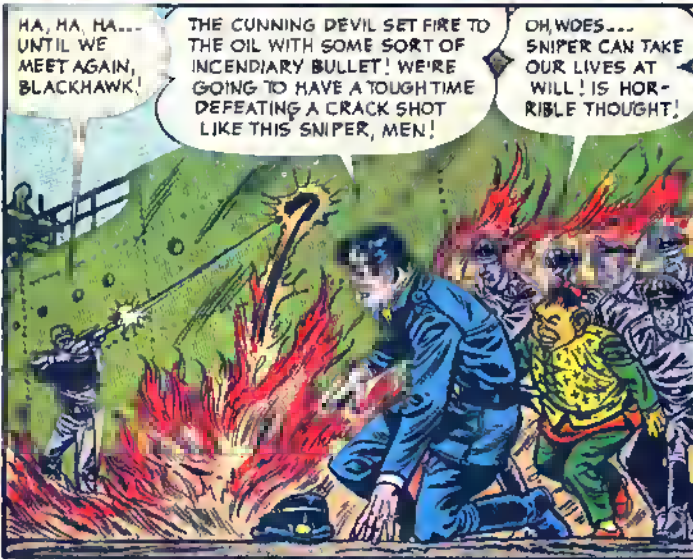
HA, HA, HA... HOW
SILLY YOU FOOLS
LOOK! I COULD
PICK YOU ALL OFF
NOW IF I SO
DESIRED!

I BELIEVE THAT CHARACTER
COULD... IF HE REALLY
WANTED TO! HE'S AN
EXPERT WITH THE RIFLE!
GOT TO STOP HIM...



WHA... HE CUT THE
CABLE WITH A
BULLET! WHAT ARE
YOU WAITING FOR,
SNIPER? WHY DON'T
YOU FINISH US OFF?

I WILL WHEN SOMEONE OFFERS
ME A PRICE TO MAKE IT WORTH
WHILE, BLACKHAWK! AND NOW
I'LL COVER MY RETREAT...
WITH A WALL OF FLAME!



HA, HA, HA...
UNTIL WE
MEET AGAIN,
BLACKHAWK!

THE CUNNING DEVIL SET FIRE TO
THE OIL WITH SOME SORT OF
INCENDIARY BULLET! WE'RE
GOING TO HAVE A TOUGH TIME
DEFEATING A CRACK SHOT
LIKE THIS SNIPER, MEN!

OH, WDES...
SNIPER CAN TAKE
OUR LIVES AT
WILL! IS HOR-
RIBLE THOUGHT!



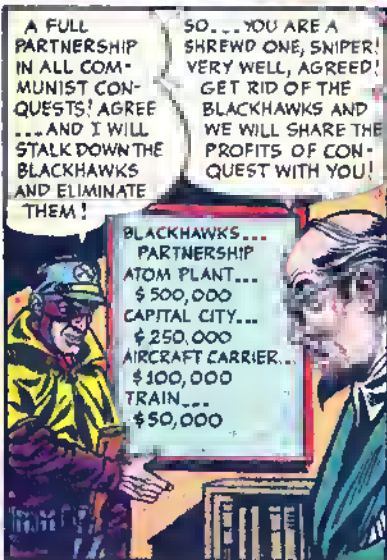
LATER THE INCREDIBLE SNIPER CONFERS WITH
ANGERED COMMUNIST UNDERGROUND LEADERS!

YOU FAILED...
THE FREEDOM
FIGHTERS ARE
STILL ALIVE,
SNIPER! WHY
DIDN'T YOU
DESTROY THEM?
THEY WERE

THERE WAS NO PROFIT IN KILL-
ING THEM, KARKO! YOU HIRED
ME TO SABOTAGE THE ATOMIC
SUBMARINE! IF YOU WANT THE
BLACKHAWKS
DEAD YOU
MUST PAY
THE PRICE!

AND WHAT
IS YOUR
PRICE?

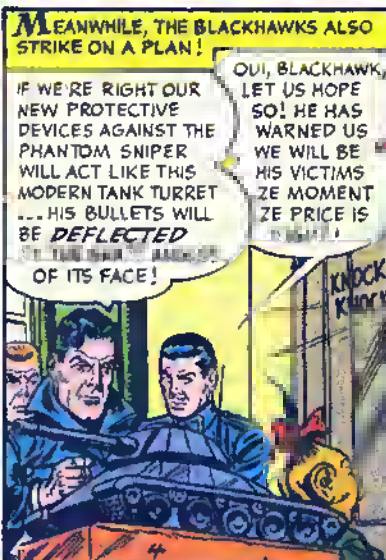
FOR YOUR RIFLE!



A FULL
PARTNERSHIP
IN ALL COM-
MUNIST CON-
QUESTS! AGREE
...AND I WILL
STALK DOWN THE
BLACKHAWKS
AND ELIMINATE
THEM!

SO... YOU ARE A
SHREWD ONE, SNIPER!
VERY WELL, AGREED!
GET RID OF THE
BLACKHAWKS AND
WE WILL SHARE THE
PROFITS OF CON-
QUEST WITH YOU!

BLACKHAWKS...
PARTNERSHIP
ATOM PLANT...
\$ 500,000
CAPITAL CITY...
\$ 250,000
AIRCRAFT CARRIER...
\$ 100,000
TRAIN...
\$ 50,000



MEANWHILE, THE BLACKHAWKS ALSO
STRIKE ON A PLAN!

IF WE'RE RIGHT OUR
NEW PROTECTIVE
DEVICES AGAINST THE
PHANTOM SNIPER
WILL ACT LIKE THIS
MODERN TANK TURRET
... HIS BULLETS WILL
BE DEFLECTED
OF ITS FACE!

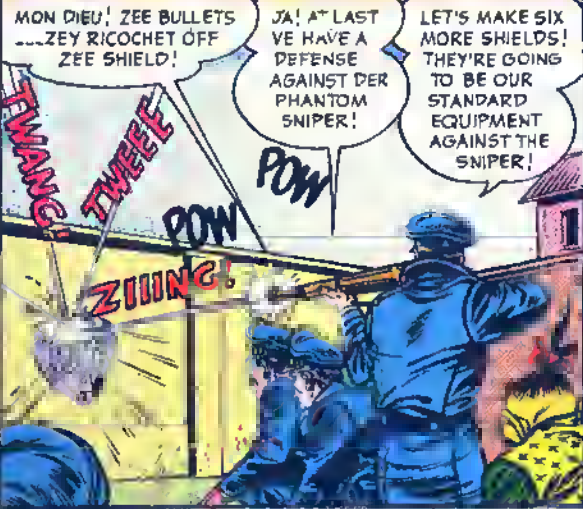
OUI, BLACKHAWK,
LET US HOPE
SO! HE HAS
WARNED US
WE WILL BE
HIS VICTIMS
ZE MOMENT
ZE PRICE IS



AS YOU ORDERED,
BLACKHAWK, THESE
SHIELDS ARE MADE
OF THE STRONGEST
ALLOY KNOWN!

GOOD! LET'S
GIVE HER A
TEST, FELLOWS!

WHEN THE INGENIOUS "ANTI-SNIPER" SHIELD IS TESTED...

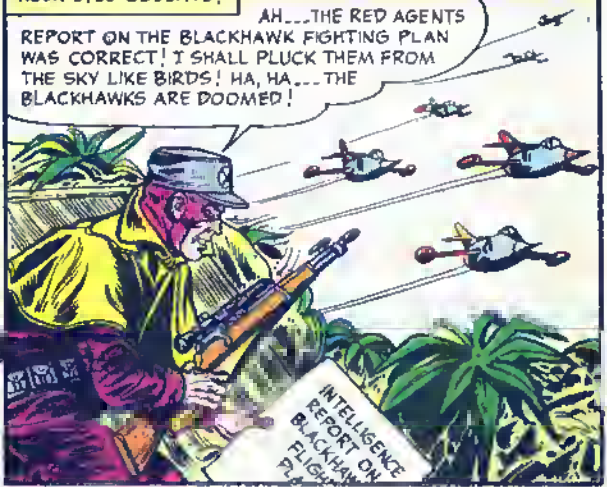


MON DIEU! ZEE BULLETS
ZEEY RICOCHET OFF
ZEE SHIELD!

JA! AT LAST
VE HAVE A
DEFENSE
AGAINST DER
PHANTOM
SNIPER!

LET'S MAKE SIX
MORE SHIELDS!
THEY'RE GOING
TO BE OUR
STANDARD
EQUIPMENT
AGAINST THE
SNIPER!

THE NEXT DAY BLACKHAWK JETS SWEEP THE SKIES OVER EUROPE IN SEARCH OF THEIR INFAMOUS ENEMY! AND BELOW... KEEN EYES OBSERVE!



AH...THE RED AGENTS
REPORT ON THE BLACKHAWK FIGHTING PLAN
WAS CORRECT! I SHALL PLUCK THEM FROM
THE SKY LIKE BIRDS! HA, HA...THE
BLACKHAWKS ARE DOOMED!

THE PHANTOM SNIPER BRINGS HIS OMINOUS RIFLE TO HIS SHOULDERS...PEERS THROUGH THE TELESCOPIC SIGHT...AND SQUEEZES THE TRIGGER!



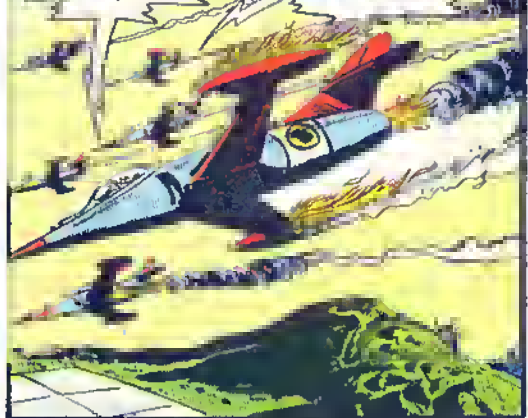
SACRE! MY
FUEL TANK...
IT'S AFIRE!

SO IS MINE ANDRE!
AND THREE OTHER
JETS ARE LEAVING
A SMOKE TRAIL!

BLACKHAWK
SPEAKING! THIS
IS THE SNIPER'S
DOING! WE'RE
TOO LOW TO
BAIL OUT!
CRASH LAND!
CRASH LAND!

BELLY YOUR JETS AND
LEAVE THEM ON THE
DOUBLE! IT'S ONLY A
MATTER OF SECONDS
BEFORE THEY BLOW
UP!

MANY WOES...CHOP
CHOP'S FINAL HOUR HAS
ARRIVED! IN SECONDS
WILL MAKE HASTY VISIT
TO HONORABLE
ANCESTORS!



FOUR JETS HAVE
EXPLODED! I'VE
SUCCEEDED WHEN ALL
OTHERS HAVE FAILED!
I'VE DESTROYED THE
BLACKHAWKS!



FIVE... SIX! THAT FINISHES THEM! MY
GREATEST REWARD AFTER YEARS OF
PRACTICE AND PATIENCE! I'LL BECOME
FAMOUS... THE SNIPER... THE MAN
WHO DEFEATED THE
BLACKHAWKS! HA, HA...



AND NOW TO RETURN TO KARKO AND
CLAIM MY PRICE... A FULL PARTNER-
SHIP IN ALL RED CONQUESTS! WHO
KNOWS... PERHAPS ONE DAY I WILL
RULE THE WORLD!

HAVE THE FAMED FIGHTERS FOR
FREEDOM MET THEIR END AT LONG
LAST? HAS THE SNIPER REALLY
SUCCEEDED WHEN ALL OTHERS HAVE
FAILED? IS THIS THE END OF THE
BLACKHAWKS?

BLACKHAWK

LATER THE SNIPER KEEPS A RENDEZVOUS WITH KARKO AT THE RED LAIR OF TREACHERY!

REMARKABLE! YOU HAVE DISPOSED OF THE BLACKHAWKS ALREADY, EH, SNIPER?

I HAVE SENT THEM TO THEIR DEATHS IN THEIR OWN JETS! NOW, KARKO, I HAVE COME TO RECEIVE MY REWARD!



SUDDENLY...

T-THE BLACKHAWKS! B-BUT HOW...?

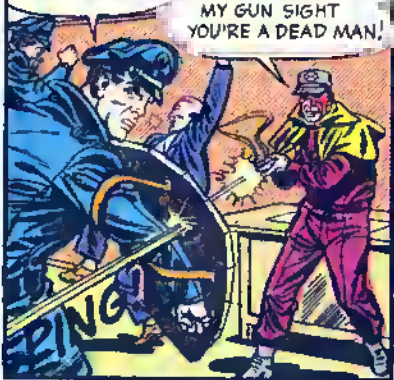
SIMPLE, SNIPER! WE ESCAPED FROM OUR JETS BEFORE THEY EXPLODED! THEN WE HID IN THE WOODS TO TRAIL YOU TO YOUR BOSS!



THE ANGERED SNIPER SUDDENLY WHIRLS ABOUT AND...

WHA...? HIS BULLET... IT TOKE THROUGH THE ALLOY SHIELD! IT SHOULD HAVE RICOCHETED!

MY SPECIAL SNUB NOSED BULLETS DON'T RICOCHET, BLACKHAWK! AND ONCE I GET YOU IN MY GUN SIGHT YOU'RE A DEAD MAN!



I'VE GOT TO KILL THE LIGHTS! WE'RE SITTING DUCKS FOR THE SNIPER ONCE HE GETS A BEAD ON US! LISTEN, FELLOWS... TAKE OFF AND GET HELP! I'LL KEEP THIS TRIGGER HAPPY CHARACTER BUSY!



SACRE BLEU! BLACKHAWK... HE EES ALONE IN ZE HANGAR WITH ZE SNIPER!

ACH! BUT HE HAS KILLED DER LIGHTS... PERHAPS HE HAS A PLAN! VE MUST DO AS HE SAYS UND LEAVE!



THEN AS THE SNIPER FREES HIS DEADLY RIFLE FROM ITS CASE...

A CLOSE BRUSH WITH DEATH THAT TIME, BLACKHAWK! HA! I SHALL ENJOY THIS GAME OF CAT AND MOUSE!

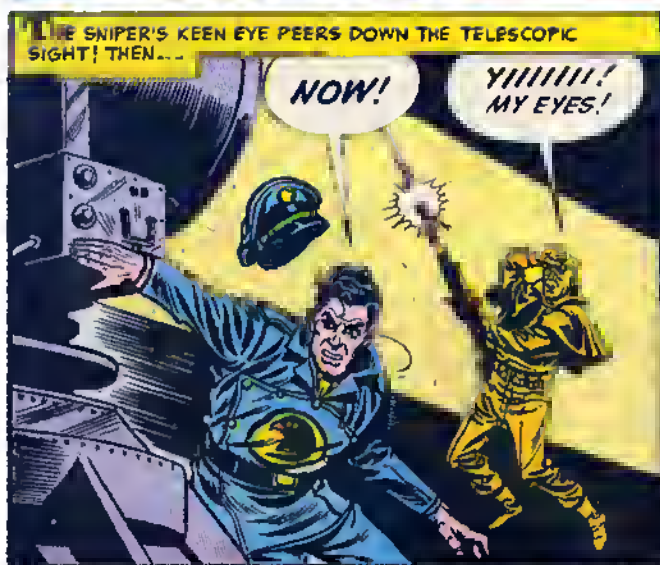
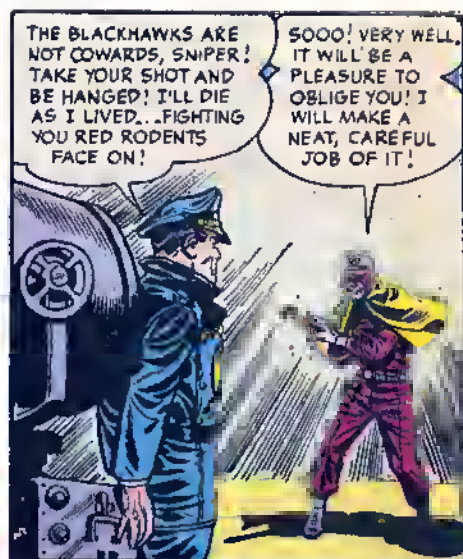


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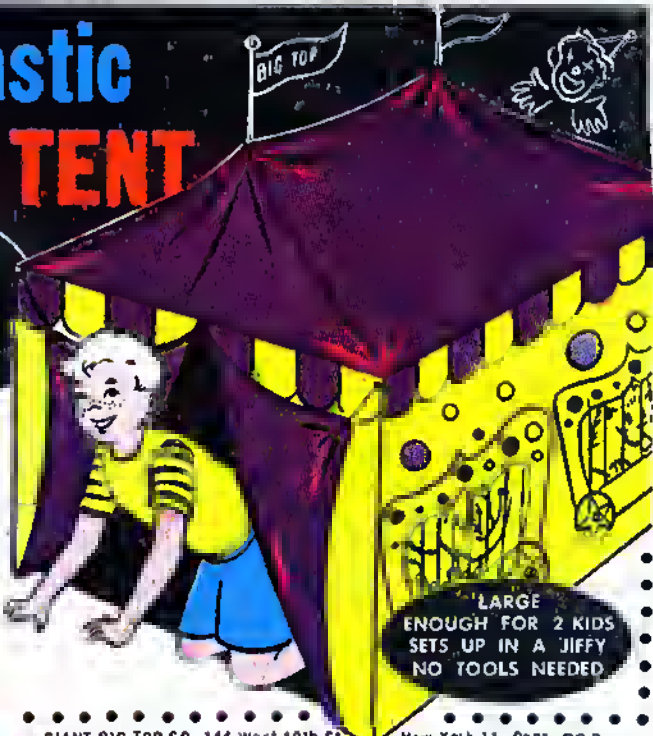
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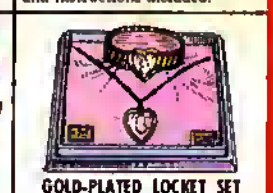
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